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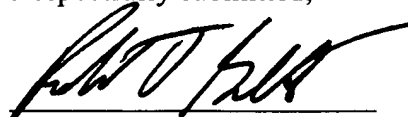
Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed April 3, 2002, Applicant elects Group II, claims 11-18 for further prosecution, without traverse.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments a telephone conference at the number set forth below is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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